

Letters To The Editor

The Torrance Herald invites readers to send letters to the editor. The subject matter should be "local" in nature and the length limited to 400 words. The writer's name and address should be signed to each letter. Authorship of the letters will be withheld upon request. The editors reserve the right to edit letters which do not conform to the length requirement and to remove portions which fail to conform to the laws of libel.

Traffic Signals Not Needed Says Highway Commission Secretary

Editor
The Herald
Torrance California

Dear Sir:
On December 7, 1950, you published quite a letter from a Mrs. G. H. Miller, complaining about the dangerous crossing of Highway 101 in the Hollywood Riviera area. In her letter she waxes vehement regarding the apparent lethargy of the State Highway Commission and the Division of Highways. This same letter appeared in two other newspapers in your neighborhood and as a result we have made an investigation of that section of Route 60. There is practically no property development adjacent to the highway in the vicinity of the intersections concerned; there are few other intersections within a considerable distance; and, due to the terrain traversed, horizontal and vertical curves are frequent. There are no speed restrictions. Consequently, traffic speeds are high and sight distances are limited. There were no reported accidents in this section in 1948 or 1949. There have been two accidents at the Roberts Road intersection this year; one involving a driver who had been drinking, and one involving a right of way violation



ROBERTS ROAD AND PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY
... Intersection Center of Heated Controversy

and a vehicle with faulty brakes. A fatal accident occurred 150 feet west of Roberts Road when a vehicle swerved off the highway and struck a child walking along the shoulder. The pedestrian was not crossing the highway as has been stated by various people. Traffic signals, traffic officers, painted signs, or any other form of warning at the intersection would not have saved this child.

The installation of one set of traffic lights costs between five and eight thousand dollars and due to the low traffic count at this point it would appear that the installation of signals would be unreasonable.

Our representatives have conferred with Superintendent of Schools Dr. J. H. Hull and Judge John A. Shidler. These men are to discuss the problem with local clubs. In the meanwhile, a speed zone survey is under way. When this is completed, controls will again be discussed with Messrs. Shidler, Hull, and City Manager George W. Stevens.

Mrs. G. H. Miller, in her opinion, evidently has a logical complaint. However, when all the facts are known, it would seem that conditions are not as bad as she states. We are not asking for any retraction on your part, but we are requesting that before publishing letters such as these that you consult with our Los Angeles office so that both sides of the question may be known.

Very sincerely yours,
R. C. KENNEDY, Secretary
California Highway Commission

Editor's Note: The following letter is a carbon copy of one addressed to City Manager George W. Stevens relative to the above traffic problem. The letter printed below was sent to the Herald by the Assemblyman Vincent Thomas.
State of California
Department of Public Works
DIVISION OF HIGHWAYS

Mr. George W. Stevens
City Manager, City of Torrance
Dear Sir:

Assemblyman Vincent Thomas has presented to us two resolutions (Nos. 2126 and 2127) passed by the City Council of the City of Torrance requesting the improvement of 174th Street from Hawthorne Avenue to Western Avenue and also requesting installation of traffic control lights at the intersection of Roberts Road and Pacific Highway.

These two resolutions will be presented to the California Highway Commission at their next regular meeting. In the meantime, we are requesting that an engineering report be prepared on these matters for the information of the Commission.

Very truly yours,
ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
G. T. MCCOY
State Highway Engineer

Father of Burned Out Family Offers Thanks To Community For Aid Following Fire

Editor:
I wonder if I may make use of your newspaper columns to thank the many kind persons who came forward to help my family and me after a fire damaged our Kettler Knolls home on January 15.

It would be difficult to name the individual people or organizations who gave so generously of their money, time, and efforts to help us. It would actually be impossible to mention them all for many I did not even know before or since the fire. Torrance merchants too, have been very kind in supplying us with bedding, clothing, and cash donations. In times like these when it seems that men all over the world are at one another's throats it is comforting to know that there still lives a feeling of neighborliness in the hearts of men.

It seems that at a time like this there should be a stronger word or phrase which would express my appreciation, however I can only say, Thank you. Thank you very much.
Mr. Gordon L. Kimmet
23504 Dolores Avenue
Wilmington

Merchants Aid Family Burned Out of Home

When a fire destroyed all the clothing of the Gordon Kimmetts, 1715 W. 234th Street, on January 15, a group of neighbors made a round of local merchants in an appeal to "lend a hand" to the burned-out family.

When they completed the round, the neighbors had clothing, bedding, a rented apartment, some furniture, and a few dollars to hand to the Kimmetts. Also handed to the Kimmetts was this list of 63 local merchants,

who helped Mr. and Mrs. Kimmet and their two children back on their feet:
Karl's Shoe Shop, Beverly Ann Malt & Donut Shop, Star Furniture, Almond's Department Store, Sam Levy Department Store, Gay Shop, Kiddie Lane, Kirby's Shoe Store, Adams Dress Shop, Tiny Tyke Shop, Mayflower Dress Shop, McMahan's Furniture, Frank's Furniture, National Furniture, Renee Sport

Shop, Bernard's Family Shoe Store, Ellwood's Dress Shop, Torrance Variety Store, Morgan Paint & Wallpaper Store, H & H Feed Store, Steffens Gas Station (Richfield Oil Co.), Paul & Johns, Shades, Linoleum and Paints, Roth's Liquor Department, Roth's Grocery, Beck's Lumber Co., Lovelady Hardware, Howard Jewelry Store, La Mode Furniture Store, Torrance Pet Supply, Baker's Furniture, Pay-

less Drug, Beacon Drug, Kales Children's Shop, State Surplus, J. J. Newberry Co., Brown & Stewart Texaco Station, Food King Grocery, Carson Mart, Greater Torrance Market, Atlantic & Pacific Grocery, Mayfair Creamery, Burke's Bargain Spot, Madrid Grocery, Ideal Ranch Market, The Family Store, W. E. Bowen Insurance, Safeway Grocery, Torrance Tee Vee, Torrance Hobby Shop, Paul's Bakery, Danish Maid Bakery, De Vore Home Appliance Co., LaTienda Gifts, Parish Stationers, Helms Bakery,

Hinkley's Market, Ed Schwartz Men's Clothing, Jax Cafe, Ray's Photo Shop, Torrance Cycle & Fixit Shop, Ruel Moulton's Union Oil Station, Pinky Palmer Service Station, and Torrance Men's Shop.

WIDELY USED WAX

Caruba wax is used in the manufacture of shoe, floor and furniture polishes, phonograph records, electric insulators, lubricating oils, sound film, soap and candles.

NURSERY TRAINING
A course in Nursery Education for persons interested in becoming nursery school or child-care center teachers will be offered at Harbor Junior College during the spring semester beginning January 31, according to Raymond J. Casey, director.

OLD SLANG WORDS

Some words of the English language are derived from the slang used by Roman soldiers 20 centuries ago.

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